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Title: Organically Modified Aerogels, Method for Their Production by Surface Modification of the Aqueous Gel Without Previous Solvent Exchange and Subsequent Drying and the Use Thereof

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Washington, DC 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert the following sentence at page 1 as the first sentence of the Specification, above the heading "Description":

--This application is a continuation of United States Patent Application No. 09/308,888 which is United States National Phase Application under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of PCT/EP97/06595 filed on November 26, 1997.--

Preliminary Amendment
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